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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: J. Culler
KOICHIRO KAWAGUCHI)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2854
Appln. No.: Unassigned (Divisional of)	
Appln. No. 09/900,949 filed	:	
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Filed: December 9, 2003)	
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For: RECORDING APPARATUS)	December 9, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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CLAIM TO PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the International Convention and all rights to which he is entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following Japanese priority application:

No. 2000-216287 filed July 17, 2000.

A certified copy of the priority document was filed November 19, 2001, in Application No. 09/900,949, the parent of the above-referenced application.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Williams", written over a horizontal line.

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